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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Adult Arrests

An arrest is counted every time an adult is cited for a criminal offense or booked. More specifically:

1. It includes all adult bookings, plus
2. All adult citations which are classified as criminal non-traffic.
3. When an adult is both cited and booked, it is only counted once.

Cases Cleared /Clearance

The solving of an offense by arrest, or in some circumstances, by exceptional means (the suspect died, is imprisoned on another charge, victim refuses to testify, etc.).

CASE CLOSURE DEFINITIONS

Cleared by Arrest:

A case can be closed by arrest when at least one suspect is positively identified and charges are recommended to the Prosecuting Attorney's Office. This closure does not require physical booking into a jail or juvenile detention facility. It also does not require the charging of all suspects, if there are multiple suspects in the crime. This category includes criminal citations into district and municipal courts for misdemeanors and felony filings into Superior Court, as well as all filings into Juvenile Court.

Exceptional Clearance:

A case can be closed "exceptional" if it can be established that a crime has been committed and the identity of a suspect is positively confirmed, but due to circumstances beyond our control, no charges are filed. An example of this type of closure is a case in which the victim declines to assist in prosecution. Another example is when another police agency files charges on a related crime stemming from the same incident. (Car stolen in King County, but suspect arrested out of the stolen car in Bellevue. Bellevue P.D. charges the suspect with possession of the stolen car. We close the stolen car case "exceptional.")

Unfounded:

Cases are closed as "unfounded" when the investigation reveals that no crime has been committed. An example would be the report of a theft by one party that is determined to be a false report by interviewing other independent witnesses

Administrative Clearance:

This clearance is used primarily to close non-criminal police investigations like found property. For instance, if a citizen finds and turns over to police a wallet. Investigation reveals who the owner of the wallet is and the item is returned to that person.

Inactive:

This category is used when all investigative leads are exhausted and the case can not be closed by any of the above classifications.

Dispatched Calls for Service

This includes calls received in the Communications Center which result in one or more patrol cars being dispatched.

Domestic Violence

Domestic Violence is a subcategory to other crimes. Virtually any crime can be classified as domestic violence. In the State of Washington, Domestic Violence is defined as a crime of violence against the person or property of a spouse, former spouse, persons related by blood or marriage, persons who have a child in common, former/current roommates, persons who have or had a dating relationship, and persons related to the suspect by the parent-child (biological or legal) relationship. In some cases, the age of the victim or suspect may determine whether or not the legal definition above is met.

Part I Offenses

This category is commonly known as the "Crime Index." Crimes include criminal homicide (which includes murder and non-negligent manslaughter; but excludes deaths by negligence, attempts to kill, suicides, accidental deaths, justifiable homicide and traffic fatalities), forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault (which excludes simple assaults), burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft and arson.

Violent Crimes (Part 1)

These are a subclassification of Part I Offenses which encompass murder and non-negligent manslaughter, rape, robbery and aggravated assault.

Part II Offenses

This category includes all other crime classifications outside those defined as Part I. Crimes include other assaults (simple), forgery and counterfeiting, fraud, embezzlement, stolen property (buying, receiving and/or possessing), vandalism, weapons (carrying, possessing, etc.), prostitution and commercialized vice, sex offenses (except forcible rape, prostitution or commercial vice...i.e. statutory rape, indecent exposure, etc.), drug violations, gambling, offenses against the family and children, driving under the influence, liquor violations, drunkenness, disorderly conduct, etc.

Response Times/Priorities

Priority X - Critical Dispatch. This category is used for those calls that pose an obvious threat to the safety of persons. Examples include shootings, stabbings and in-progress crimes such as robberies or burglaries where the possibility of a confrontation between a victim and suspect exists.

Priority 1 - Immediate Dispatch. This category is used for those calls that require immediate police action. Examples include silent alarms, injury traffic accidents, in-progress crimes or crimes that have just occurred where a suspect may still be in the immediate area.

Priority 2 - Prompt Dispatch. This category is used for those calls that could escalate to a more serious degree if not policed quickly. Examples include verbal disturbances and blocking traffic accidents.

Priority 3 - Routine Dispatch. This category is used for those calls where response time is not a critical factor. Examples include burglaries and larcenies that are not in progress, audible alarms, or other routine reports.

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CRIME SUMMARY

	4th Quarter 2002	4th Quarter 2003	Percent Change	Crime Rate	1/1/03 - 12/31/03	4th Quarter Cases Closed
Part I Offenses						
Criminal Homicide	0	0	N/A	0.00	0	0
Forcible Rape (incl. Attempts)	2	1	-50.0%	0.07	6	0
Robbery	3	0	-100.0%	0.00	7	0
Aggravated Assault	3	5	66.7%	0.34	18	2
Burglary, Commercial	11	9	-18.2%	0.61	34	0
Burglary, Residential	16	9	-43.8%	0.61	75	2
Larceny, over \$250	27	22	-18.5%	1.48	110	1
Larceny, under \$250	46	56	21.7%	3.77	217	6
Vehicle Theft	31	23	-25.8%	1.55	89	2
Arson	1	1	0.0%	0.07	13	0
Total Part I Offenses	140	126	-10.0%	8.48	569	13
Total Part II Offenses	190	159	-16.3%	10.71	702	36

NOTE:

The crime rate is calculated on the basis of 1,000 people (i.e., number of crimes per 1,000 people). The population is 14,850.

ACTIVITY SUMMARY

	4th Quarter 2002	4th Quarter 2003	Percent Change	1/1/03 - 12/31/03
Dispatched calls for service	833	861	3.4%	3,746
Adult charges/arrests	87	111	27.6%	376
Juvenile charges/arrests	31	29	-6.5%	139
Traffic enforcement	449	314	-30.1%	1,890
Officers assaulted	1	1	0.0%	1
Total gang-related incidents	2	1	-50.0%	6
Total domestic violence related incidents	31	43	38.7%	157
Hate crimes/malicious harassment reports	0	0	N/A	0

NOTE:

The domestic violence figures on this page include everything that is related to domestic violence: case reports, citations, follow-ups, assistance rendered to other agencies, FIR's made, etc. They may differ from the figures on page 6, which refer to case reports and citations only.

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Part One Offenses

Criminal Homicide	0
Rape	1
Child Rape	0
Attempted Rape	0
Robbery, Highway	0
Robbery, Commercial	0
Robbery, Gas Station	0
Robbery, Chain Store	0
Robbery, Residence	0
Robbery, Bank	0
Robbery, Misc.	0
Robbery, Carjack	0
Assault, Firearm *	1
Assault, Knife	0
Assault, ODW	1
Assault, Hands	3
Commercial Burglary, FE	4
Commercial Burglary, NF	4
Commercial Burglary, ATT	1
Residential Burglary, FE	2
Residential Burglary, NF	4
Residential Burglary, ATT	3
Larceny, +\$250	22
Larceny, -\$250	56
Auto Theft	23
Truck-Bus Theft	0
Other Vehicle Theft	0
Theft Boat/RV	0
Arson Confirmed	1
Total	126

Part Two Offenses

Assault Fourth	16
Total Forgery/Fraud *	18
Stolen Property	0
Vandalism	40
Weapons Violations	2
Commercial Vice	0
Total Sexual Offenses *	5
Gambling	0
Total Family/Juvenile *	25
DWI	8
Liquor Violations	1
Disorderly Conduct	0
Kidnapping	0
Trespass	3
Opium, coke, etc.	0
Marijuana	5
Synthetic Narcotics	3
Other Narcotics	0
Hate Crimes	0
Viol. of Court Orders (Misd)	12
Viol. of Court Orders (Felony)	1
All other	20
Total	159

NOTES:

The data on this page includes the domestic violence data listed on page 6. Page 6 refers to domestic violence data only.

*A more detailed section of these categories is listed on page 10.

Larceny Offenses

Auto Parts & Accessories	4
Bicycles	4
Coin Operated Machine Device	1
Non-specific Category	24
Pickpocket	0
Purse Snatch	0
Shoplifting	23
Taken from Auto	18
Taken from Building	4
Total	78

Dispatched Calls for Service

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Response Times

Priority	Avg Time in Mins.
X	2.15
1	10.95
2	16.86
3	40.52

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Domestic Violence: Part One Offenses

Criminal Homicide	0
Rape	1
Child Rape	0
Attempted Rape	0
Robbery, Highway	0
Robbery, Commercial	0
Robbery, Gas Station	0
Robbery, Chain Store	0
Robbery, Residence	0
Robbery, Bank	0
Robbery, Misc.	0
Robbery, Carjack	0
Assault, Firearm	0
Assault, Knife	0
Assault, ODW	0
Assault, Hands	2
Commercial Burglary, FE	0
Commercial Burglary, NF	0
Commercial Burglary, ATT	0
Residential Burglary, FE	0
Residential Burglary, NF	1
Residential Burglary, ATT	0
Larceny, +\$250	0
Larceny, -\$250	0
Auto Theft	1
Truck-Bus Theft	0
Other Vehicle Theft	0
Theft Boat/RV	0
Arson Confirmed	0
Total	5

Domestic Violence: Part Two Offenses

Assault Fourth	11
Total Forgery/Fraud	0
Stolen Property	0
Vandalism	4
Weapons Violations	0
Commercial Vice	0
Total Sexual Offenses	1
Gambling	0
Total Family/Juvenile	3
DWI	0
Liquor Violations	0
Disorderly Conduct	0
Kidnapping	0
Trespass	0
Opium, coke, etc.	0
Marijuana	0
Synthetic Narcotics	0
Other Narcotics	0
Hate Crimes	0
Viol. of Court Orders (Misd)	6
Viol. of Court Orders (Felony)	1
All other	5
Total	31

NOTE:

This page is a subcategory of page 5 and only refers to domestic violence incidents that produced a case report or citation.

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ADULT AND JUVENILE CHARGES, ARRESTS, AND CITATIONS

	Adult Felony	Adult Misdemeanor	Juvenile Felony	Juvenile Misdemeanor	Total Adults and Juveniles
Criminal Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Rape	1	0	0	0	1
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	7	0	0	0	7
Burglary	2	0	0	0	2
Larceny	0	9	0	7	16
Vehicle Theft	0	0	5	0	5
Assault, Fourth	0	11	0	1	12
Arson	0	0	0	1	1
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud	0	0	0	0	0
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property	1	0	0	0	1
Vandalism	0	7	0	3	10
Weapons Violations	2	2	0	2	6
Prostitution - Vice	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offense (No Rape)	1	1	0	0	2
Narcotics/Drug Violation	8	1	0	0	9
Marijuana	0	6	0	0	6
Gambling, Other	0	0	0	0	0
DWI	0	9	0	1	10
Liquor Violation	0	2	0	5	7
Disorderly Conduct	0	0	0	0	0
Other (except Traffic)	5	19	0	3	27
Traffic	1	16	1	0	18
TOTAL	28	83	6	23	140

NOTE:

Charges include all adults and juveniles booked, cited and charged in absentia. Charges do not include persons that are booked on warrants each quarter.

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Traffic Enforcement Activity

Violation	Patrol	Special Operations	TOTAL
Abandoned Vehicle	16	0	16
Accident, Injury	14	10	24
Accident, Non-injury	21	0	21
Accident, Fatal	0	0	0
D.U.I.	8	0	8
Physical Control	0	0	0
Hit & Run, Occupied Non-injury	3	0	3
Hit & Run, Unoccupied	12	0	12
Hit & Run, Injury	1	0	1
Incident, NSC (Other than accident)	0	0	0
Motorcycle Complaint	0	0	0
Negligent Driving	2	0	2
Other Moving Violation	20	28	48
Defective Equipment	2	0	2
Other Non-moving Violation	4	14	18
Off Road Vehicle/ATV Violation	0	0	0
Parking Violation	1	15	16
Pedestrian/Bicycle Violation	0	0	0
Reckless Driving	0	0	0
Speeding (Pace)	5	0	5
Speeding (Radar)	15	48	63
Traffic Complaint Investigation	12	12	24
Attempting to Elude (Felony Flight)	1	0	1
Control (Other than Fire)	0	0	0
Driving While License Revoked/Suspended	30	0	30
Operator's License Violations, Other	4	0	4
Seatbelt Violation	0	0	0
Vehicle License Violations	16	0	16
TOTAL	187	127	314

Summary of Traffic Activity

	4th Quarter 2003	1/1/02 - 12/31/02	1/1/03 - 12/31/03	Percent Change
DUI	8	29	37	27.6%
Moving/Hazardous	222	1,074	1,320	22.9%
Non-moving/Compliances	84	515	533	3.5%
TOTAL	314	1,618	1,890	16.8%

Traffic Accident Investigations

	4th Quarter 2003	4th Quarter 2002	Percent Change
Accident, Injury	24	21	14.3%
Accident, Non-injury	21	21	0.0%
Accident, Fatal	0	0	N/A
Hit & Run, Occupied, Non-injury	3	2	50.0%
Hit & Run, Unoccupied	12	6	100.0%
Hit & Run, Injury	1	2	-50.0%

	4th Quarter 2003	4th Quarter 2002	Percent Change
Traffic Complaint Investigations	24	9	166.7%

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SPECIAL OPERATIONS

Air Support Unit (Helicopter) Activity

	4th Quarter 2003	1/1/02 - 12/31/02	1/1/03 - 12/31/03	Percent Change
Number of Details	2	7	14	100.0%
Patrol (Flight) Hours	1.25	9.00	4.00	-55.6%

K-9 Unit Activity

	4th Quarter 2003	1/1/02 - 12/31/02	1/1/03 - 12/31/03	Percent Change
K-9 Used on Calls	3	5	24	380.0%
Time Spent (Hours)	21.25	16.25	79.50	389.2%

Hostage Negotiations Team Activity

	4th Quarter 2003	1/1/02 - 12/31/02	1/1/03 - 12/31/03	Percent Change
Hostage and Barricade Incidents	0	0	1	N/A

Bomb Disposal Unit Activity

	4th Quarter 2003	1/1/02 - 12/31/02	1/1/03 - 12/31/03	Percent Change
Responses	1	0	4	N/A
Follow-ups	1	0	3	N/A

TAC-30 Unit Activity

	4th Quarter 2003	1/1/02 - 12/31/02	1/1/03 - 12/31/03	Percent Change
Callouts	0	0	2	N/A

Department Ceremonial Unit Activity

	4th Quarter 2003	1/1/02 - 12/31/02	1/1/03 - 12/31/03	Percent Change
Callouts	0	0	0	N/A

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Major and Special Investigations Section

Assault Offenses				
	4th Quarter 2003	1/1/02 - 12/31/02	1/1/03 - 12/31/03	Percent Change
Assault, Aggravated	3	8	7	-12.5%
Assault, Cutting	0	4	4	0.0%
Assault, Handgun	1	0	1	N/A
Assault, Handgun (Driveby)	0	0	0	N/A
Assault, Long gun	0	0	0	N/A
Assault, Long gun (Driveby)	0	0	0	N/A
Assault, Other Firearm	0	2	0	-100.0%
Assault, Other Firearm (Driveby)	0	0	0	N/A
Assault, Unknown Firearm	0	0	0	N/A
Assault, Unknown Firearm (Driveby)	0	0	0	N/A
Assault, ODW	1	3	6	100.0%
Assault, Simple	16	78	85	9.0%

Fraud Offenses				
	4th Quarter 2003	1/1/02 - 12/31/02	1/1/03 - 12/31/03	Percent Change
Embezzlement	1	0	1	N/A
Extortion	0	1	0	-100.0%
Fraud, All other	8	48	51	6.3%
Fraud, UICD	0	6	2	-66.7%
Forgery Document	3	2	8	300.0%
Forgery Checks	5	16	12	-25.0%
Forgery Credit Cards	1	3	3	0.0%
Computer Investigations	0	0	6	N/A
Consumer Fraud	0	0	0	N/A

Special Assault Offenses				
	4th Quarter 2003	1/1/02 - 12/31/02	1/1/03 - 12/31/03	Percent Change
Rape	1	6	4	-33.3%
Child Rape	0	2	1	-50.0%
Attempted Rape	0	0	1	N/A
Child Molestation	1	2	2	0.0%
Child Porn	0	1	0	-100.0%
Incest	0	0	0	N/A
Indecent Exposure	1	0	2	N/A
Indecent Liberties	1	2	3	50.0%
Sex Offense, NSC	2	1	2	100.0%
Sexual Offender Registration	0	0	0	N/A
Sexual Offender Registration Violations	0	0	0	N/A
Sexual Offender Verification	0	2	0	-100.0%

Family/Juvenile Offenses				
	4th Quarter 2003	1/1/02 - 12/31/02	1/1/03 - 12/31/03	Percent Change
Child Abuse	1	2	5	150.0%
Child Neglect	0	5	3	-40.0%
Disturbance, Family	6	27	37	37.0%
Juvenile Disturbance	1	5	2	-60.0%
Juvenile Runaway	14	91	65	-28.6%
Custodial Interference	3	11	8	-27.3%
Elderly or Dependent Abuse	0	0	0	N/A
Elderly or Dependent Neglect	0	0	0	N/A

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